

SOUTHERN NEVADA CONTINUUM OF CARE (CoC) GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE

The re-authorization of the
SNRPC Committee on Homelessness (CoH) and
Continuum of Care (CoC) based upon the
HEARTH ACT

May 2014



GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE

TEAM MEMBERS

- Stephen Harsin (Champion)
- Kathy Somers
- Kathi Thomas-Gibson
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- Marilee Hansen
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- Cheryl Ross – Administrative Support
- Lori Lopez – Technical/Logistical Support

BACKGROUND

- **2000** - The Southern Nevada Regional Planning Coalition (SNRPC) established.
- **2003** – SNRPC creates the SNRPC Committee on Homelessness (SNRPC CoH).
- **2009** – HEARTH Act adopted
 - Codifies the Continuum of Care (CoC) planning process as a required local function to address homelessness
 - Includes a provision to establish a “**governance structure**” to ensure that all stakeholders be included and participate in the Continuum of Care program.



THREE KEY FACTORS

- The governance structure recognizes:
 - The initial regional framework authorized by the SNRPC in 2003 - SNRPC CoH;
 - The Continuum of Care as authorized under the original McKinney Vento Act and incorporating the rules and regulations enacted by the HEARTH Act in 2009; and
 - The re-authorization of the SNRPC CoH and CoC into one cohesive structure.

CoC Purpose and Role

as redefined under the HEARTH Act

- The purpose of the CoC is to carry out the responsibilities of the HEARTH Act.
- Regarding the Governance Structure:
 - Approve the CoC Governance Structure
 - Delegate the SNRPC Homelessness Continuum of Care Board (HCCB) to act on behalf of the CoC

CoC Membership

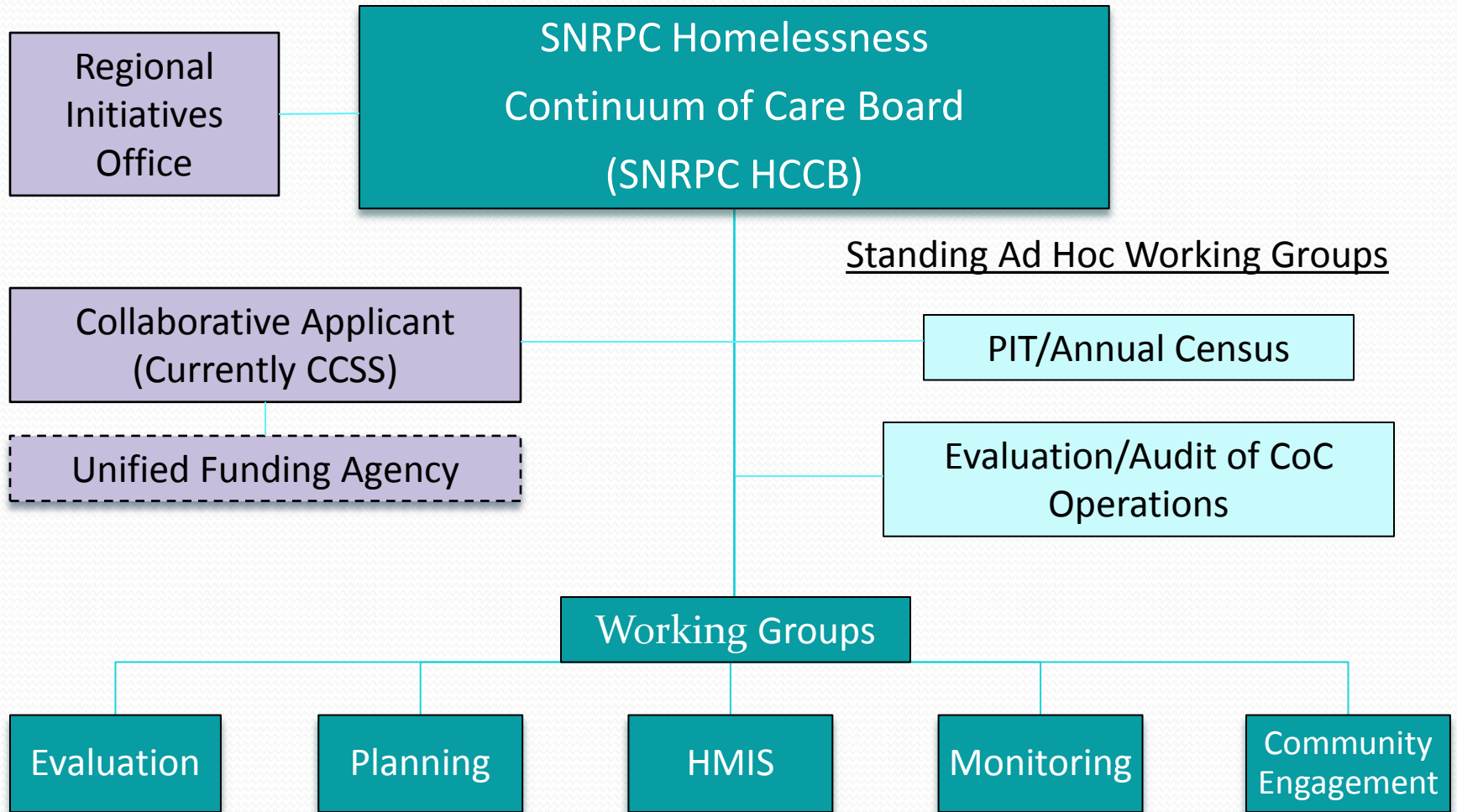
- CoC Membership is unlimited
 - annual open invitation
 - Semi-annual meetings of the entire membership



Purpose and Responsibilities of the SNRPC HCCB

- Carry out the operations of the CoC as delegated by the CoC in accordance with the process approved under 24 CFR part 578 and other responsibilities directed by the SNRPC.
- Annually issue a public invitation for new members to officially join the CoC from within the service area.

Continuum of Care



SNRPC HCCB Membership

- Expanded board includes additional stakeholders
 - Jurisdictional Stakeholders (6)
 - Each Jurisdictional seat on the SNRPC HCCB shall represent the greater interest of their respective political subdivision.
 - Financial contribution to regional coordination
 - Community Stakeholders (15)
 - A public invitation to CoC members at least annually.
 - One board member may represent the interests of more than one homeless sub-population. SNRPC HCCB must represent all subpopulations within the CoC to the extent that someone is available and willing to represent that subpopulation.

SNRPC HCCB

Sub-Population Representation

- HEARTH Act requires the SNRPC HCCB has the following sub-populations represented:
 - ✓ Governments
 - ✓ Businesses
 - ✓ Advocates
 - ✓ Public housing
 - ✓ School districts
 - ✓ Social service providers
 - ✓ Mental health
 - ✓ Hospitals
 - ✓ Universities
 - ✓ Affordable housing developers
 - ✓ Law enforcement
 - ✓ Organizations that serve homeless & formerly homeless veterans
 - ✓ Homeless and formerly homeless persons

SNRPC HCCB Board Seats - 21

- Government (5)
- School District (1)
- Public Housing Agency (1)
- Law Enforcement (1)
- Faith Based (1)
- Businesses (2)
- Affordable Housing Developer (1)
- Social Service Providers (3)
- Mental Health Agency (1)
- Organization serving the Homeless or formerly Homeless Veterans (1)
- Higher Education (1)
- Health Care Provider (1)
- Advocate At-Large Member (1)
- Homeless or formerly Homeless Person(1)



Board Officers

- **2 Co-Chairs**

- One Co-Chair representing the Jurisdictional Stakeholders
- One Co-Chair representing the Community Stakeholders

- **2 Vice Co-Chairs**

- One Vice Co-Chair representing the Jurisdictional Stakeholders
- One Vice Co-Chair representing the Community Stakeholders



Time Schedule

- Presentation to the SNRPC CoH – May 8, 2014
- CoC Roundtable Workshops on Governance Structure at City of Las Vegas City Hall (495 S. Main Street):
 - Thursday, May 29th (one session) 3-5pm
 - Thursday, June 5th (two session) 1-3pm and 3-5pm
- SNRPC CoH recommendation to the CoC – July 10, 2014
- First meeting of the CoC– August 14, 2014

August 30, 2014 – SNRPC HCCB must be established per the
HEARTH ACT



FEEDBACK

- All comments/suggestions should be submitted in writing.
 - Email comments and/or questions to:
CoCGovernanceStructureComments@lasvegasnevada.gov
 - Phone Contact: 229-5421 (Lori Lopez)

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